

Project number: H3839

Stringybark Road Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge Sippy Downs



March 2024 update



Project construction period - early March 2024 to November 2024*
Monday to Saturday, 6am to 6pm (day works)
Nightworks (as required)

** All works are subject to weather and construction material/equipment availability.*



Stringybark Road, spanning the Sunshine Motorway between Buderim and Sippy Downs



Intermittent changes to traffic conditions as required for safety reasons

Construction overview

Construction will soon commence on a new pedestrian and cycle bridge parallel and to the east of the existing Stringybark Road bridge, which spans the Sunshine Motorway between Buderim and Sippy Downs.

This new three-metre wide bridge will provide a shared pathway for bicycle riders and pedestrians, separate from vehicles. The \$11.8 million project is proudly supported by the Queensland Government's Cycle Network Local Government Grants program and Sunshine Coast Council.

In addition to the new bridge, the pathway on the existing vehicle bridge will be removed and the bridge reconfigured to provide on-road cycle lanes on both sides

Following a public tender process in 2023, Council has appointed Queensland Bridge and Civil to construct the new bridge. Every effort will be made to minimise construction impacts to our community.

Late February to March activity

By Friday 1 March - establishment of construction compound

A construction compound will be located on private land near the intersection of Central Drive and Stringybark Road. The compound will house construction offices and machinery and will be fenced for the safety and privacy of our community.

Early March – preparation works

The new bridge area will be prepared for construction. This will include some vegetation clearing, the installation of access platforms for machinery and the implementation of environmental management measures.

Mid-March to late-March - vegetation clearing

The design of the new bridge has been carefully considered to minimise vegetation clearing while prioritising public safety.

All information contained in this communication is accurate at the time of distribution however works and dates are subject to change due to circumstances outside of Sunshine Coast Council's control.

As indicated in our January newsletter some vegetation clearing is required to accommodate the construction footprint of the new bridge and provide construction access. This includes several trees on the south east side of the existing bridge and some vegetation on the north east side of the existing bridge.

Mulch and wood chip from clearing will be reused for rehabilitation and some salvaged tree material will be reused for fauna habitat. A fauna spotter will be present during vegetation clearing works.

Council has obtained the relevant environmental permits required.

Following major construction, landscaping works will be undertaken including off-set planting at a ratio of three to one for removed vegetation. Due to site constraints, off-set planting will occur both on site and in other locations across the Sunshine Coast.

During all clearing and construction works large machinery will be in operation. Intermittent medium-high level noise can be expected and exclusion zones will be in place for safety reasons.

Temporary changes to traffic conditions

Access to the existing bridge's shared pathway will remain open for pedestrians and cyclists during the new bridge's construction.

Traffic movements will remain open on Stringybark Road and the Sunshine Motorway for the duration of the construction period.

Some road lane closures and delays will be experienced due to safety reasons.

STOP/GO Traffic control will be in place for our community's safety.

Please follow the instructions of traffic controllers and note the information displayed on the electronic signage to minimise delays.

Please continue to support local businesses during construction and remember to allow an extra few minutes of travel time for trips to work, local schools, university and other destinations.

Keep informed

You can find further information about the Stringybark Road pedestrian and cycle bridge project and construction notices on Council's website at www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au Simply scan the QR Code below to be taken directly to the webpage.



Further information

To contact Council's project team directly Please email: stringybarkbridge@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au or contact Council's customer service via the details on the base of this notice (please quote Stringybark Road pedestrian and cycle bridge).



Figure 1 Artist impression of the new pedestrian and cyclist bridge when looking west toward the existing Stringybark Road bridge.